

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling a media player, comprising:

determining at least one rule defining a predefined non-user event in an environment surrounding said media player, said rule including at least one condition and an action item to be performed to automatically adjust said media player when said at least one condition is satisfied;

analyzing input information characterizing a non-user event in the environment surrounding said media player to identify said a current condition; and

performing said action item if said current condition is satisfiedcorresponds to said at least one condition of said at least one rule.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 1, wherein said input information is generated by an information capture device.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 2, wherein said information capture device comprises at least one of a motion detector, biometrics sensor, visual capture device, or an audio capture device.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 1, wherein said non-user event comprises a non-user appearing in the vicinity of environment surrounding said media player.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 1, wherein said current condition comprises detection of motion by said a non-user in the environment surrounding said media player.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one condition comprises a voice signal, associated with a non-user, that does not match a stored profile voice signal.

7. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one condition comprises a voice signal, associated with a non-user, that does match a stored profile voice signal.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one condition comprises a visual image, associated with a non-user, that does not match a stored profile image.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one condition comprises a visual image, associated with a non-user, that does match a stored profile image.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 1,
wherein said media player comprises a computer.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 10,
wherein said action item comprises changing a display of an image
being displayed by said computer.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 1,
wherein said media player comprises a television set.

13. (Currently Amended) The method of as claimed in claim 12,
wherein said action item comprises changing a program channel of
said television set.

14. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for controlling a media
player, comprising:

a memory for storing computer readable code; and
a processor operatively coupled to said memory, said

5 processor configured to:

determine at least one rule defining a predefined non-user
event in an environment surrounding said media player, said rule
including at least one condition and an action item to be performed
to automatically adjust said media player when said at least one
10 condition is satisfied;

analyze input information characterizing a non-user event
in the environment surrounding said media player to identify said a
current condition; and

15 perform said action item if said current condition
corresponds to said at least one condition of said at least one
ruleis satisfied.

15. (Currently Amended) An article of manufacture for
controlling a media player, comprising:

_____ a computer readable medium having computer readable code
means embodied thereon, said computer readable code means
5 comprising for causing a media player, when running said code
means, to:

10 a step to determine at least one rule defining a
predefined non-user event in an environment surrounding said media
player, said rule including at least one condition and an action
item to be performed to automatically adjust said media player when
said at least one condition is satisfied;

a step to analyze input information characterizing a non-
user event in the environment surrounding said media player to
identify said current condition; and

15 a step to perform said action item if said current
condition corresponds to said at least one condition of said at
least one ruleis satisfied.